

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Benson, et al.

Application No.: 09/679,948

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For: SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR  
MANIPULATING DIGITAL  
IMAGES

Examiner: Good Johnson, Motilewa

Art Unit: 2628

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED 10/1/2008

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Examiner Good Johnson,

The applicant is grateful to Examiner Good Johnson for giving advices on Section 101 rejections, and for reviewing and providing feedback on a draft response.

The applicant has carefully considered Examiner's positions in the Office Action mailed 10/1/2008. In response, the applicant respectfully submits the following claim amendments and arguments.

Applicant respectfully notes that

- I) Claims 46-55 include similar claim limitations as to previously presented claim 1 with additional limitations related to "personal template" (claim 22);
- II) Claims 56-65 include similar claim limitations as to previously presented claim 1 with additional limitations related to "personal template" (claim 17); and
- III) Claims 66-86 and 86-90 include similar claim limitations to previously presented claim 1 with additional limitations related to image "border".